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SUBJECT: ANALYSIS OF CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN WESTERN EUROPE; VISIT OF EPA OFFICIALS

1. BOTH EPA ADMINISTRATOR DOUGLAS COSTLE AND DEPUTY UNCLASSIFIED

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ADMINISTRATOR BARBARA BLUM PLAN TRAVEL TO WESTERN EUROPE FOR BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL MEETINGS BEFORE END OF 1977. FIRST TRAVEL WILL BE BY COSTLE, OCTOBER 17-21, TO BRUSSELS FOR CCMS PLENARY AND MEETINGS WITH BELGIAN AND EC OFFICIALS, LONDON AND PARIS. DETAILS CONTAINED SEPTELS. MRS. BLUM CURRENTLY PLANS TO TRAVEL OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 11. IN PREPARATION FOR VISITS, REQUEST EMBASSY GUIDANCE ON

PRIORITY ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES CURRENTLY FACING NATIONAL AND MULTILATERAL ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICIALS.

- 2. COSTLE INTENDS TO SPEAK BRIEFLY WITH HEAD OF EACH NATIONAL DELEGATION TO CCMS PLENARY. IN EMBASSY'S OPINION, WHAT ARE ENVIRONMENTAL TOPICS OF INTEREST (NOT NECESSARILY RELATED TO CCMS ACTIVITIES) WHICH COSTLE OUGHT TO DISCUSS WITH OTHER CCMS REPS, OR WHICH THEY MAY RAISE WITH COSTLE? WHAT ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING WIDE PRESS COVERAGE IN NATIONAL PRESS, E.G. ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS OF NUCLEAR POWER, SST, OZONE DEPLETION, TRANSFRONTIER POLLUTION, TOXIC SUBSTANCES, ETC?
- 3. TO EXTENT INFORMATION READILY AVAILABLE, EMBASSY COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING WOULD BE APPRECIATED:
- HOST COUNTRY'S ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRESS IN LAST YEAR:
- CURRENT GOVERNMENTAL AND NATIONAL ATTITUDES TOWARD ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY GOALS;
- AREAS OF COMMON CONCERN BETWEEN HOST COUNTRY AND U.S.
- ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION(S) OR LEADERSHIP WITHIN THIS YEAR.
- 4. FOR STOCKHOLM: MRS. BLUM PLANS TO VISIT STOCKHOLM FOR 1-2 DAYS IN EARLY NOVEMBER. REQUEST EMBASSY REPORT AS INDICATED ABOVE.
- 5. FOR EC, NATO AND OECD: APPRECIATE ANY COMMENT MISSION LINCLASSIFIED

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MAY WISH TO OFFER ON RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS AND OTHER ELEMENTS OF ORGANIZATION'S BUDGET AND/OR PROGRAM, AND ON NEW PROJECTS OR ISSUES WHERE EPA INPUT MAY BE SOUGHT.

6. ANY INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO ABOVE WHICH POSTS CAN OFFER WILL HELP EPA OFFICIALS CARRY ON MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE AS THEY MEET WITH EUROPEAN COUNTERPARTS. EPA WILL FOLLOW UP WITH INFO FOR POSTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES OF INTEREST WHICH COSTLE MAY RAISE. REQUEST POSTS RESPOND AS POSSIBLE BY SEPTEMBER 26. SLUG RESPONSE EPA. VANCE

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